



**BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO**

**COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES**

**MASS COMMUNICATION PROGRAMME**

**2023/2024 First Semester Examination**

**Course Title: Critical Writing and Reviewing**

**Course Code: MAS 209**

**Course Unit: 2 units**

**Duration: 2 hours**

**Instruction: Answer Part A and any other 2 in Part B**

**PART A**

- I. Critical thinking suggests -----
- II. An art exhibit review involves -----, -----, and -----
- III. Video review considers five things which are: -----
- IV. A picture review is concerned with five things which are: -----
- V. The best way to do a speech, poetry and music review is to employ ----- and -----.
- VI. The mythological/ritualistic method is also called ----- or ----- approach.
- VII. Concrete words are -----
- VIII. Two questions to ask for poetry reviews are -----
- IX. The theme of a book means -----
- X. Methods of developments in a book can be -----, -----, -----, or -----
- XI. Moral approach to criticism uses -----
- XII. The thesis of a book means -----
- XIII. Sociological method of criticism uses -----
- XIV. The function of influence in critical writing is its ability to -----
- XV. The function of a critic is to ----- **30 Marks**

**PART B**

1. In 200 words, review the character of Okonkwo in Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe **20 Marks**
2. Explain the essentials of critical thinking. **20 Marks**
3. What are the questions to ask when reviewing for specific genres? **20 Marks**
4. Review the lyrics of the song, 'Ire' by Adekunle Gold as written below.  
  
A. The grass is greener on the other side  
That's what I thought before I took the ride  
I burned my bridges, so I never look back  
But if I had known

The life I was searching for is looking me right in the eye, oh  
If I had known the life I was searching for was already my own

Chrs: Ire bènîlê (Ire, ayo)

Ire, ire, ire

Ire, ire, ayo

Onpemi (Onpemi kin ma bo)

Oni kin ma bo (Ire)

Oni ki ma bo

Ire

- B. The grass is greener when you water the ground  
That's what I found when I took the ride  
I realized the mountain I've climbing is nothing but sand, oh  
I didn't know I already had the answer  
No, I didn't know  
For if I had known (If I had known)  
The life I was searching for was looking me right in the eye, oh  
If I had known the life I was searching for was already my own

**20 Marks**